

House Resolution No. 4902

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives were truly saddened by the untimely death of their native son, G. Michael Curls; and

Whereas, Michael Curls was born to Fred and Velma Curls on October 19, 1940 in Kansas City, Missouri; and

Whereas, G. Michael Curls chose to serve his country for five years in the United States Airforce serving a tour of duty from the Berlin Crisis to the Aleutian Islands; and

Whereas, in the early 60's Michael took his love for jazz to the sunny streets of California, where jazz jammed from the 60's to the valued and treasured Christmas Holidays of 2003, join at his law office by the FAME Gospel Choir; and

Whereas, G. Michael Curls, the ultimate culinary chef took the barbeque along with the jazz, a skill he learned at an early age while working for KC's Gates Barbeque; he was so skilled that he created his own secret barbeque sauce; and

Whereas, this visionary, this accomplished professional, a lawyer, a developer, not only saw the vision but brought the vision into existence by founding the Alliance Property Group; through this gentle philosopher, blessed with the gift of gab, calming spirit, tenacious energy, he developed across the country in Nevada, Colorado, Missouri, Arizona and his signature project Osage Senior Development in Englewood, California; his law library at 43rd and Leimert became the place to be for holding court, developing deals, and a haven for family and friends, to share, to grow, to succeed; and

Whereas, I Corinthians 9:24 proclaims "that those who run in a race, all run, one receives the prize, run in such a way that you may obtain it," Michael ran the race with style, class, and persistence; his legacy lives in his children, his nephews, nieces and their offspring; they inherit his strength, wit, wisdom, and vision; and

Whereas, G. Michael Curls took the ordinary out of life and he made it extraordinary, the way he laughed, the way he paused, looked and acted, that too will pass on to his family; trust and confidence are the tools he leaves you, take them use them well; and

Whereas, his belief in family led him to name his children after his own siblings, passing generation to generation; he leaves his courageous family to mourn, yet celebrate all he was to their world; his beloved wife of thirty-five years, Deanna; his four children, Nicole, Danielle, Michael, and Phillip; his father, Fred Curls; three brothers, Darwin Curls, Darryl Curls, and former State Senator Phil B. Curls; two sisters, Dr. Karen Curls and Janice Parker; sister-in-laws, Sandy Curls and State Representative Melba Curls; and brother-in-law, Frank Parker; and his beloved older sister, Millicent Onita Curls who preceded him in death; and

Whereas, G. Michael Curls proved that no matter who you are, where you are, and under what circumstances you can achieve anything:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously, to express our respect and pride in a life well lived by G. Michael Curls and our warm wishes of peace and comfort to his family, friends and colleagues that now see his light in the heavens and his smile in their hearts; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in recognition of G. Michael Curls, our native son.

Offered by _____
Representative Melba J. Curls
District No. 41

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4902, adopted December 31, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker